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SUBJECT: STUDENT VIOLENCE IN ADANA

1. IN THE FIRST SERIOUS OUTBREAK OF VIOLENCE IN ADANA SINCE JANUARY 7, A CLASH TOOK PLACE YESTERDAY (MAY 4) BETWEEN LEFTIST AND RIGHTIST STUDENTS AT THE ADANA TEACHERS' INSTITUTE. TWENTY STUDENTS WERE BADLY INJURED AND TWENTY OTHER STUDENTS WERE ARRESTED.

2. THE INCIDENT IS BELIEVED TO HAVE STARTED WHEN THE RIGHTIST STUDENTS ATTACKED THE LEFTISTS WHILE THEY WERE IN THE CLASSROOM. DURING THE CLASH, THE STUDENTS USED CHAINS, ROCKS, KNIVES, AND CUDGELS AGAINST EACH OTHER. TO PREVENT FURTHER SUCH

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INCIDENTS, POLICE ARE PRESENTLY STATIONED AT THE SCHOOL.

3. COMMENT: IN A RECENT CONVERSATION A CONOFF AT AMCONSUL ADANA HAD WITH OFFICIALS OF THE RIGHTIST IDEALIST HEARTH MOVEMENT, THE RIGHTISTS EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THEY ARE THE STRONGEST GROUP AT ALL OF THE SCHOOLS IN ADANA. WHETHER OR NOT THIS VIEW IS CORRECT, THE SELF-ASSURANCE IT COULD ENGENDER, ALONG WITH THE VIEW THAT ADANA IS "THEIR" CITY, COULD HAVE HAD SOMETHING TO DO UNCLASSIFIED

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WITH YESTERDAY'S CLASH, AND COULD PRESAGE FURTHER SUCH CLASHES

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